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## WEATHER BULLETIN.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—For lower Michigan.—Generally fair; brisk north-west wind; cooler temperature will probably fall to near freezing Thursday night.

## DID A WISE THING.

When the legislators heard from the people on the world's fair junket, it didn't take them long to hedge on the expense grab feature. It would have been an intolerable excess of authority to compel the state for the personal expenses of the members for a trip to the White City.

The plea that the legislatures of other states have made a provision of like character ought to make the proponents a named of themselves. The legislatures of the other states named were public-spirited and patriotic. They made adequate appropriations for displaying the resources of their states. They either did that or nothing at all.

The Michigan legislature has failed and refused to be decent. It appropriated an insufficient fund when the democrats controlled the legislature. When an additional appropriation was desired the democrats in the senate of the present legislature refused to grant it. The result is that Michigan will have an incomplete and humiliating exhibit at the world's fair. For this disagreeable state of affairs one obstinate democrat senator is largely responsible. A few republicans belong in the category with him.

For the legislators to ask the state to pay out a large sum of money to enable them to view the partly finished exhibit and to take part in the dedication of the building for which they refused to appropriate enough money to make it presentable is the sublimest specimen of legislative cheek ever presented.

It is a matter for general congratulation that Mr. Bishop saw the inconsistency and dishonesty of the proposed grab and stamped the rush toward its adoption. Now that the house has demonstrated its ability to rise above such a seductive temptation it is to be hoped it will steer clear of other breakers.

## OLNEY IS CHILLY.

President Cleveland's cabinet is not ingratiating itself with the mob. Carlisle seems to be the only member who has escaped the shafts of the satirists and the condemnation of the politicians. Cleveland's secretaries are largely taken from the ranks of practiced business, and are not experts in the art of political dissimulation and deceit.

Attorney General Olney, although said to be a good lawyer, has none of the tact in dealing with politicians which is so necessary for a member of the cabinet to have if he wishes to escape becoming unpopular. The most influential democrat senator or representative is treated with the coldest and most indifferent courtesy if he calls on Mr. Olney without an indorsement, oral or written, from somebody fortunate enough to enjoy the priceless boon of his acquaintance. Naturally enough, the democrats do not like this sort of treatment.

Within the memory of many men now in public life, there was another attorney general from Massachusetts—Mr. Hoar, who was in General Grant's cabinet—who had Mr. Olney's knack of offending his political allies by not treating them as they thought themselves entitled to be treated, and the result might be profitably studied by Mr. Olney. General Grant nominated Attorney General Hoar to a vacancy on the supreme court and was greatly surprised when informed that he could take his choice between withdrawing the nomination or having it unanimously rejected. It was withdrawn.

## REFORM VS. REFORM.

Secretary Morton removed Mr. Blaine's brother from the head of a division in the agricultural department, abolished the division and merged its business into another division on the ground that it was wholly an unnecessary office. The salary attached is \$25,000. He was impelled to abolish the office to save the government \$2,000 of needless expense.

Of course, this is Secretary Morton's version of it. He was not inspired to belittle the memory of Blaine, nor to drive an inoffensive partisan out of office. It was purely a case of retrenchment. Had it been any other republican the result would have been the same. The government must not pay any money for ornamental purposes under this administration. The work of Blaine's division is turned over to the general department, and nobody will be worked to death in consequence.

Here in Grand Rapids is a superior court maintained at a yearly expense of \$20,000. It is an extravagantly off-

ered court. The salaries are far greater than they should be for the labor performed. All the business it transacts may be transferred to the circuit court with no appreciable increase in the volume of business now before it. In spite of these palpable facts there are taxpaying residents of the city who are afraid to unite in a demand for its abolition, and many of them actually oppose it.

Just think of it! An officer of the federal government abolishes a \$20,000-dollar clerkship as a measure of economy, while many of the taxpayers of the city of Grand Rapids are opposed to abolishing a \$20,000-dollar court that is a judicial excess, and utterly without a sound reason for its maintenance.

## BISSELL'S JONAH.

Postmaster General Bissell has a man in his department named Smith. Smith is a messenger. His politics are so flexible he manages to hang on to a place in the department through all the changes. He has been discharged several times, but he is taken back every time. He is looked upon as an indispensable nuisance. He is a meddlesome fellow with any amount of arrogant self-importance. Smith D. Fry, the Washington correspondent, describes this Mr. Smith "as a heap of people."

Now, Smith by virtue of his position as messenger would naturally be expected to do chores for the heads of divisions and chief clerks, but he doesn't. Nothing of the sort. The chief clerks and heads of divisions do chores for Mr. Smith. Mr. Smith is more important than anybody; Mr. Smith's orders are obeyed without question. If anybody wishes to talk with Mr. Bissell he must first talk with Mr. Smith. Senators and representatives do not take kindly to transacting business with a messenger, but they have to take it goodnaturedly or take their leave.

Mr. Smith conceived the idea that it would be a good thing to stop giving out for publication the names of fourth class postmasters. He confided it to Mr. Bissell. Mr. Bissell consulted Mr. Maxwell and the order was issued. It was suspended before night. Mr. Smith was very wrath. He is a messenger and nobody consulted him before the rule of the morning was suspended. The ridiculousness of Mr. Smith and his rule was apparent to everybody. The rule went; Smith staid.

Mr. Bissell has another scheme, however, by which he hopes to prevent the bad character of some of the applicants for appointments as fourth class postmasters becoming public until after their appointment. He requires every senator and representative that indorses a candidate to promise that neither the name of his candidate, nor of any other or others there may be, shall be made public before the appointment. This rule expedites appointments because it makes it impossible for citizens to protect against objectionable candidates, but it is bound to result in some very bad appointments. Mr. Smith was not apprised of this rule until after it had been promulgated, but he is quick to make its terms known to every caller. Mr. Smith is truly "a heap of people."

MICHIGAN democracy, represented by Dan Campau and the remnant of the democrat congressional delegation, waited on Cleveland yesterday. Their mission was to ascertain where Michigan "is at" in the distribution of spoils. Grover told them that he wanted to make good appointments and that the recommendations of congressmen would be accredited superior to those of private persons. Although the delegation was with the president for twenty minutes none of the members essayed to explain the democrat victory the office seekers were sent home to wrest from the enemy.

DR. KEENEY, of gold cure renown, has kept the secret of his formula for the public with wonderful success. A saloon-keeper who is a member of the Illinois legislature, has introduced a bill into that body to compel all patent medicine manufacturers to label their preparations with the name of each ingredient contained in them. The purpose of the measure is to force Dr. Keeneley to divulge the secret of his wonderful remedy. If the bill is passed it will drive Dr. Keeneley's great concern located at Dwight out of the state. He will still hold the secret.

JOHN POWERS having been slated for the marshmanship, Senator Doran's chances for the district attorneyship are materially brightened. It is understood that ex-Prosecuting Attorney McKnight is also a candidate for the place. Mr. McKnight is a young lawyer of ability, an ardent democrat, and if he should take the pole in the race with the senator a pretty contest would develop.

By the death of John A. Bell, managing editor of the Detroit Free Press, which occurred yesterday at his home in Detroit, the newspaper profession loses one of its brightest and most conscientious workers. He was a man of great force of character, amiable disposition and wide learning.

GRAND RAPIDS is a good place for bright, intelligent young men who desire to grow up with its manufacturing interests and reap distinction, like that which rewarded some of the early and hardy pioneers who helped to build up the city to its present prosperous condition.

REMONSTRANCES against the sending of Max Judd, the St. Louis Jew, to Vienna as United States consul general have been unavailing. He has been commissioned and will sail this week unless the Austrian government formally protests.

TAXPAYERS will naturally take interest in any proposition that promises to reduce taxation. First, abolish the superior court. That will effect a saving of over \$20,000. Second, put Mr. Rosen-

thal's associated charity organization into active operation. That will effect a further saving of \$20,000. These two reforms will reduce taxation \$40,000 in one year. That is equivalent to a saving of about 50 cents for each man, woman and child in the city. No other interest will suffer by making these reforms.

NO LAWYER in this city dares to subscribe his name to one or two logical reasons why the superior court should be continued at a cost of over \$20,000 to the taxpayers. Many of them signed the petition, why will not one of them venture to offer a reason for doing what he "knew he was about?"

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND was fettered as to the residence of Andy Fyfe. He didn't know whether he lived in Port Huron or Marquette. Andy Schaffer could have cleared the presidential mind on that important point.

TOMORROW President Cleveland will that long anticipated conference with the Tiger. The Tiger will make its bow, extend its paw and then withdraw and wait for something to drop. Maxwell will pull the lever.

ANDY Fyfe got out from under the crumbling pylons of the superior court just in time. He has used the machine to good advantage, and now, like a rat from a sinking ship, he leaves it to its fate.

WHAT has become of one A. P. Swinford of Marquette. A few weeks ago it was reported that he had started for Washington en masse to demand his appointment as governor.

REPRESENTATIVE BISHOP should be acknowledged as leader of the majority of the house. If he sees a brick house falling he is shrewd enough to get the crowd out from under.

Now look out for a stampede for Andy Fyfe's vacant place. There are fully a score of the untried, each of whom is willing to step into the Duke of Plaza Toro's shoes.

PERHAPS the quicker way to abolish the superior court would be to have Grover appoint the remaining officers to positions in the government service.

LAST evening's banquet of the Knights of Pythias was a happy affair, enjoyed only as knights may enjoy the good things of earth.

It is suspected that the cyclone which devastated Ypsilanti, received much of its force from the city's mineral water.

ECKELS' appointment as comptroller of the treasury has been confirmed in spite of the protests of the bankers.

DEDICATORY PROGRAM. Following is the program for the dedication of Michigan world's fair building Saturday, April 22, at 10 o'clock a. m., in Jackson park, Chicago: Delivery of the building to the governor of the state by President I. M. Weston, of the board of world's fair managers for the state of Michigan.

Acceptance of the building by Gov. John T. R. Palmer, of Michigan. Remarks by the following gentlemen: Hon. Thomas W. Palmer of Michigan, president of the world's Columbian commission. Hon. George E. Davis, director general of the world's Columbian exposition. Lieutenant Governor J. Wright Dingus of Michigan. The Hon. William Aldrich Tateum, speaker of the Michigan house of representatives. Ex-Governor E. B. Winans of Michigan. Congressman J. C. Burrows of Michigan.

The Hon. Jay A. Hubbell of the Michigan centennial board of 1876. President J. B. Angell of the Michigan university. F. J. V. Skiff, chief of the department of mines and mining World's Columbian Exposition.

Refreshments. Reception by the governor and other members of the board of managers in the evening.

STATE PRESS SENTIMENT. A democrat who doesn't want an office has turned up at Washington. When he sent his card to Secretary Morton, accompanied by a declaration that he didn't want office, the secretary exclaimed: "For God's sake, show him up." This man would make a rare world's fair exhibit.—Port Huron Times.

The democrat legislature in Wisconsin is about to abolish the local option system and to establish law license, and the catholic total abstinence union, which helped elect the legislature, under a mistaken view of the school question, is entreating it not to do so.—Adrian Times.

Under republican reciprocity \$21,529,852 worth more of corn was shipped abroad in 1902 than in 1901. Do the farmers in the country think it wise to revoke the reciprocity treaties in the face of facts like these?—Cedar Springs Clipper.

Apparently there are a good many people in Michigan who believe the legislature is going to pass a capital punishment law, and they are getting in their work before it takes effect.—Detroit Tribune.

It looks as though the world's fair would be the only thing closed on Sunday in Chicago this season.—Detroit Free Press.

With Thanks.



Lord Chumpley—Do you return my love? Miss Millyons—Why, yes I haven't the slightest use for it.—Truth.

## THEATRICAL TOPICS.

Edwin Booth keeps going, notwithstanding his treacherous motor nerves. A New York reporter, who saw him at one of the theaters a few nights ago with his daughter and son-in-law, writes: "The few people in the house who knew that Mr. Booth was present cast many a look at him out of curiosity of various kinds. Some had not seen the actor since his retirement, and for this reason were anxious to obtain a view of him; others desired to secure visual evidence of his physical condition. What they saw was the same classic face of yore, rather tinged with melancholy, yet as beautiful and high bred as in earlier days; the lips firmly set, yet relieved by the play of tenderness and elevation of soul; the countenance, much masked as the traditional one of Lord Beaconsfield, the mind alert to the actor's art in the Don Cesar he was witnessing. The whole personality pleasing, and yet—ill."

It was not until Mr. Booth rose to leave the house that his physical infirmity became apparent. He rose from his seat with great effort, and his daughter and son-in-law gently supported him on either side, showing that he walked with difficulty. The curtain went up, however, just at this time, and Mr. Booth slowly stepped back to his chair and raised his feet on a stool, his master of his motions. Inasmuch as, owing to the lateness of the hour when the curtain first went up, it was after midnight when the play came to an end, it is to be inferred that Mr. Booth's general condition of health is by no means as good as that which has been stated in some quarters.

James H. Wallick, the famous melodramatic actor, will produce two plays next week in The Grand. The famous "Bandit King," as played by him over 2,000 times, changing at the regular Thursday matinee to the "Cattle King," which will hold the boards the balance of the engagement.

Some of the artists whose works will appear in the exhibition by the Art association next week will become known to Grand Rapids for the first time, although they stand high in the art circles of both Europe and America.

Smith's theater is enjoying a very good patronage. "The Ecstasy of Lullaby" has been toned down by its author, a local playwright of much promise, by the way, until it may be believed to have some faint resemblance to the original.

"Fantasma," Hanlan's superb pantomimic spectacle, will be seen in The Powers' Monday and Tuesday evenings of next week.

Charles L. Davis and his drag load of diamonds will be here April 20 to present "Alvin Jolson" in The Powers.

There will be a matinee performance of "Cruisiken Lawn" in The Grand today.

ANDY SWARES IT.

"Andy," softly called Judge Burlingame, had closed the shades of evening thickened last night.

"Sire," responded Andy in a tone of half concealed triumph.

"What is this news from Washington? Are you to leave us while yet the wicked HERALD is lambasting our soft snap?" reproachfully inquired the judge.

"Sire," quoth Andy, "tis me country's call. I am needed where the enemy is about to evacuate. With no thought of future glory, sire, no ambition to do ought but draw me pay—" "tis true I must leave you, and a tear rolled out upon Andy's left cheek.

"Why then was I so long meaning in the judge's dulcet tones, 'Go, me boy. You have stood me well. When the battle first began your crafty genius bespoke for me more of praise than I might lay claim to. We shall miss your cunning, Andy, we shall miss your fiery wit and your amiable manners. Charlie and me will try to get along. The petitions are all in. We have flanked the enemy at both ends and now move against the middle. If we fall, Andy, 'twill be because we have lost your daring right hand and eagle eye."

"Why do the nation's rage so furiously together, and why dost thou imagine such things, I will be near to you, sire," thoughtfully suggested Andy, "very near to you. When the crash comes, if I be not near to succor thee, count the victory lost."

"Hark! me Andy! Twice spoken like a prince." Then the judge unfurled the cover of a box of Florida Teros and proffered one of them to Andy. They sat in silence for a moment.

"Andy," suddenly spoke up the judge, "did not make you clerk of this court?"

"You did, sire," meekly he replied.

"If there was a halt in the judge's speech, 'If' he halted again—"him—Andy, draw nearer."

"I was about," the judge's voice sank to a whisper, "I was about to say if, if the court should go, and you would need a clerk."

"I swear it, sire; so sure as I am the duke of Plaza Toro you shall have the place!"

And they both wept tears of joy and deliverance.

## POINTS ABOUT MEN.

Senator Harris, who was recently described by a newspaper writer as looking "like a Malay pirate grown gray in the ventures of the sea," has a heart glowing with geniality. Financially he is among the poorest senators.

George Heywood, who has just been re-elected town clerk of New Bedford, Massachusetts, has already kept for forty years official records that have been in charge of the Heywood family for over a century.

Alexander Dumas recently told an interviewer that he was practically devoid of imagination, and that composition does not come easy to him, the use of the pen being physically and mentally tiresome.

Mr. Whittier's literary executor has collected a large quantity of interesting correspondence of the poet, and the two volumes of the biography will probably be published in the autumn.

The democrats of Palmyra, New York, have nominated Samuel W. Sawyer for president of the village, and the republicans have nominated his son, S. Nelson Sawyer, for the same office.

John C. Breckinridge and Congressman C. C. Black who sent "Tom" Watson into political obscurity, both had originally from the little town of Stampington, Kentucky.

## HIT AND MISS BRIEFS.

A Montana paper says that two men nearly backed each other to death in a fight about a month ago, and that since then they are not on good terms.—New York Tribune.

We move that Col. William H. Gilder be appointed United States consul at the north pole. Call him "ambassador" if this suits him better.—New York Advertiser.

What a lovely time a ferryboat or a runaway garbage scow could have in Hampton Roads during the naval rendezvous.—Washington Star.

It is a sorry day in the history of this great republic when an Ohio man has to visit the pie counter again.—Memphis Appeal-Avalanche.

Emin Pasha has been murdered again. It must take all of Emin's income to pay his frequent funeral expenses.—Washington Post.

If there is anything in the law of supply and demand a sweeping reduction in federal salaries is in order.—Minneapolis Tribune.

New York is such a dirty city that even its sanitary arrangements deserve indignation as nuisances.—Steeple Brook Bazaar.

Up to date a small pair is the best Deer Cleveland has been able to do for the Kentucky colonels.—Washington Post.

Office seeking continues to be mighty poor business for those who seek, but do not find.—Baltimore American.

A. A. McLeod's beautiful private car will be greatly enjoyed by his successor.—New York Recorder.

Truth travels straight ahead, but a lie will stop at every corner and beat it.—Elmira Gazette.

## ALLEGED TO BE FUNNY.

If a fellow's good at lyin'—not lyin' in the shade, But lyin' like a fellow lies when lyin' in his trade— In this here blossom-weather he can fish an' take his ease.

For the perch are gettin' hungry an' bitin' bad as fleas!—Atlanta Constitution.

Mr. Bonanza—Who is the lady with the swell turnout?

Lord de Pendent—That's Her Majesty Queen Victoria.

Mr. Bonanza—Um'm. Seems to me I have heard my wife and daughter speak of her.—Harper's Bazar.

"Don't you think it a little dangerous for you to go fishing when you are feeling so badly?"

"No, the doctor said a stimulant was just what I needed."—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Mrs. Younghusband—Why can't you stay at home this evening, George? Your employer can get along without you, George. I know it, but I don't want him to find it out.—Life.

Jack—Saying is one thing, and doing is quite a different thing.

Tom—I don't know about that. Bor. roush said he would do me, and he did. Detroit Free Press.

When a girl allows a fellow to put his overcoat on without assisting him it is a sign that she doesn't want him to come back any more.—Aitchison Globe.

The man who fights Corbett has almost as poor a show as the man who goes to see him act.—Puck.

## New Lot of Elders.

EUREKA, Mich., April 12.—The Michigan conference of the Evangelical association elected J. A. Frye presiding elder of the St. Joseph district; C. C. Stoffel, of the Detroit district; G. A. Heller, of the Flint district; and F. Klump, of the Reed City district. The Rev. H. Schneider of the last mentioned district withdrew under charge of creating dissensions. Bishop W. Horn of Cleveland attended the conference.

Stopped by Lightning. MENOMINEE, Mich., April 12.—Menominee was visited by a terrific electrical storm last night. Lightning damaged the generator in the street railroad power house, and no cars are running today. The storm was followed by a high southwest wind and the ice in the bay is moving rapidly towards the east shore. Should the wind keep up, the bay will be open for navigation by tomorrow morning.

Death of an Editor. DETROIT, Mich., April 12.—John A. Bell, managing editor of the Detroit Free Press, died this afternoon at his residence, No. 29 Jay street, after a brief illness of typhoid fever. Mr. Bell had been connected with the Free Press as managing editor for many years, and was highly respected and esteemed, not only by his office associates, but by all the newspaper guild in Detroit.

Freight Trains Collide. LANSING, Mich., April 12.—A coal train and a freight train on the Michigan Central collided at Carpenter's Siding this morning. The engine of the coal train was lifted up and the tender was thrown on the top of one of the cars, while the other engine was badly wrecked. It will take all day to clear away the debris. No one was hurt.

One Hundred Feet of Ice. BAY PORT, Mich., April 12.—The ice is piled up 100 feet on Sand Point, opposite the Cherry Islands. Wild Fowl lay is now entirely clear.

Michigan Pensions. Original—John Short, James O. Shephard, Darius Reid, Willis L. Merriman, Joseph Prue, Melissa V. Case (nurse). Supplemental—John L. Rogers. Renewal and increase—Samuel Brown, Increase Edmund Reid, Estlin Cook, William L. Cleveland, George W. Dillenback, Andrew J. Maxine, George W. Moore, James Huntley, William O. New, Robert Traver, Arthur P. Randall, William E. Prindle, Robert Carr. Reissued—Edmond Burr, William P. Goodrich, Original widows, etc.—Celia M. Traver, Olive Sherman, Sarah A. Loomis, Susannah Wedge.

Millionaire Wright of Jackson denies that he helped Latimer after he escaped from prison.

D. J. Brazeal of Bay City, has been arrested on the charge of embezzlement.

Marshall is in the hands of the democrats and ponds of joy are in order.

Johnsville has lost the Honoree flour, being made by him. Loss, \$25,000.

Monroe's presbytery is in conference at Jonesville.

## HOTEL CHATS.

"The consumption of cigarettes throughout the United States has almost doubled within the past five years," said C. H. Champion of Philadelphia, in The Morton yesterday. "But consumption has not doubled among cigarette smokers. The rule does not work both ways. For my part, I do not believe cigarettes are more deadly than other forms of tobacco, in fact, not so deadly, for they are milder. Americans smoke too much, anyway. Their nervous, sensitive, high strung systems will not withstand the effect of nicotine as will the constitutions of the more phlegmatic races. A German can smoke from morning to night without feeling the effect of it, but it is different with an American. His nervous system is very sensitive, and if the average man smoked only half as much as he does, he would be the better for it."

"Navigation will probably be open about April 20," said J. L. Davidson of Mackinac, in The Eagle, yesterday.

"The ice has not gone out of the straits yet, but it is honey-combed and is rapidly breaking up. A heavy wind for a couple of days will drive it out, and into the lake. In spite of the unusually severe winter, the ice is breaking up almost as early as usual and the opening of navigation will not be late."

J. Bush of Jackson, division superintendent of the Michigan Central, was a guest in The Morton yesterday. He was accompanied by J. Birnet and J. La throp.

Mrs. W. W. Cummer and daughter of Cadillac dined in The Morton yesterday. They were on their home from Cuba, where they spent the winter.

Jerome V. Shank of Lansing, a member of the board of managers of the Soldiers' home, dined in The Morton yesterday.

Miss F. H. Green of Olivet and Miss A. L. Martin of Charlotte dined in The Morton yesterday.

Morton—George L. Erwin, Muskegon; Charles Carr, Jackson; E. W. Smith, Detroit; F. A. Stuart, Saginaw; C. H. Bennett, Plymouth; G. L. Heath, Hastings.

Sweet's—H. F. Cook, White Pigeon; C. J. Rathbone, Fremont; E. N. Hiner, Detroit; R. G. Steel, St. Johns; G. F. McRae, Alpena; H. B. Morgan, Lansing.

New Livingston—Jacob Baar, Grand Haven; Charles Grab, Detroit; R. D. Safford, Lansing; Miss A. L. Martin, Charlotte; Miss F. H. Green, Olivet; E. J. Metzger, Detroit.

Eagle—J. M. Sterling, Detroit; G. Steele and wife, Traverse City; J. H. Worden, Cedar Spring; B. R. Barber, Harbor Springs; T. H. Peacock, Reed City.

Clarendon—A. F. Hubbs, Lakeview; John Duffy, Lansing; C. F. Nason, How and City; S. J. Brady, J. V. Shank, Lansing; John Mitchell, Lansing.

Keet—D. Dopping, Lake City; E. J. Rays, Cadillac; G. L. Heath, Hastings; C. F. Van Auken, Gladstone; S. R. Billings, Lansing; Ann Clark, Muskegon.

Bridge Street—H. A. Wedden, Jackson; E. Cheney, A. B. Cummings, Sparta; J. J. McNaughton, Lowell; D. C. Williams, Reed City; John Sailer, Saugatuck.

## STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

The annual report of the management of the Flint & Pere Marquette railroad to the stockholders of the company will be made public tomorrow. It is a pamphlet of thirty three pages, and exhibits in detail the operations of the

road for the year ended December 31, 1902. The rail earnings of the road were: Freight, \$1,304,250; passenger, \$791,479.27; mail, \$55,548.42; express, \$28,276.87; miscellaneous, \$1,516.50; steamer earnings, \$300,768.33; total earnings, \$2,886,715.14. Operating expenses and taxes, rail, \$1,827,024.79; operating expenses and taxes, steamers, \$197,725.22; total expenses, \$2,024,750.01; net earnings,